strange, huge, ugly monster, which had Its abode in the Cordillera to the south of latitude 37. The Tehiaelches and the G-ennakens have mentioned similar animals to me[5] of whose existence their ancestors had transmitted the remembrance ; and in the neighbourhood of Bio Negro, the aged Cacique Sinchel, in 18*75, pointed out to me a cave, the supposed lair of one of these monsters, called ' Ellengassen ' ; but I must add that none of the many Indians with whom I have conversed in Patagonia have ever referred to the actual existence of animals to which we can attribute the skin in question,"

A rude painting in a cavern, in red ochre, seems to Dr. Moreno (whose words we have just quoted) to be somewhat suggestive of a *Glyptodon.* There are some reasons for believing that this quadruped was kept by man as a domestic creature. In the cave are two walls of rough pieces of stone which seem- to have dropped down owing to the wearing away of the roof; they also seem to have been loosely piled together to form two walls, within which enclosure an imperfect skull of the animal was found. This skull shows clearly that the so-called " *Weo-m^lodon* ** must be referred to *GrlossotJieTiu'm* or *ChypotTwrri/u/m,,* as it is sometimes termed. This skull is perforated on the roof in such a way as could only have been effected (in the opinion of experts) by a weapon in the hand of a man. A hole in the skin has been even compared to a bullet-wound. But this it is perhaps unnecessary to discuss. The skin of *GflossotJieriwrn,* is, like that of other extinct " G-round-sloths " *(e.g. J/i/lodon),* filled with small and irregular ossicles. But in *Jlfylodon,* the sculptured appearance of the dermal ossicles appears to indicate that they reached the surface of the body and. were covered by epidermis alone, which is not the case with the animal now under consideration. The microscopic characters of the ossicles, too> show differences in the two. *Glos&otheri'&'m,* being ** precisely intermediate between *Mylodon* and the existing Axmadillo *(.Dct^/ptis)."*

IN"ow *GlossotJieriu-m* and *Mylodon* are regarded as forms which lie between the existing Anteaters and the Sloths of the same part of the world. We have already pointed out the facts of structure

which lead to. this conclusion. It might therefore be reasonably surmised that the hair of *Glossotfo&rvwm,* would be also intermediate, or at least like that of one of the two genera

and *J&rttdyjpug.'* !But microscopical investigation